

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant: Liang Jiang et al. )  
Serial No.: 10/675,367 ) Group Art Unit: 1742  
Filed: September 30, 2003 )  
FOR: NICKELE-CONTAINING ALLOYS, METHOD OF )  
MANUFACTURE THEREOF AND ARTICLES )  
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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE**

Sir:

This Amendment is submitted in response to the Final Office Action dated June 9, 2006.  
Please amend the Application as follows: